DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Listserve Update: November 2011

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1. Pre-Registration Required: December 8, 2011 Blue Card Class

DNREC will be holding the next Contractor's Certification course (Blue Card) on December 8, 2011 at the Modern Maturity Center (registration required). **This will be the last Blue Card Class offered in 2011**. The schedule for 2012 has not yet been determined. The Contractor's Training course is a ½-day course that gives an overview of the Sediment and Stormwater Program, its regulations, and required erosion and sediment control measures in the State of Delaware. Please contact Joanne Gedney by e-mail at <u>Joanne.Gedney@state.de.us</u> or by phone at 302-739-9921 for registration information.

2. Update: November 2011 CCR Re-Certification Classes

The Sediment and Stormwater Program will be conducting a one day **Re-Certification** class for those CCR's whose certification has expired or will expire in the year 2011. Registration is required and registration packages have already been sent out to those affected individuals **based on the information provided during their last certification**. The one-day Re-Certification class is from 8:30am-4:30pm and you must be present for the full duration of course. Enrollment is on "first come, first serve" basis and you will not be guaranteed a seat until your registration form and the fee are received. The class scheduled for **Thursday, November 3, 2011 is now full**. In order to meet additional requests, the Department has scheduled a **second class for Tuesday, November 15, 2011**. The registration fee must be paid in advance until class is full or by November 8, 2011. Please be advised that if you do not attend one of these re-certification classes after being notified that you need to, your certification will expire. If you still need CCR Certification you will then be required to attend the next 3½ day CCR class that will be held in March 2012 and pass the written exam.

Please contact Joanne Gedney at 302-739-9921 or <u>Joanne.Gedney@state.de.us</u> to register. (NOTE: If you have changed employers since receiving your CCR certification, please contact Joanne Gedney immediately in order to have your records updated.)

3. Technical Committee Meeting: December 6, 2011 December 12, 2011

The next Technical Subcommittee for the revision of the Delaware Sediment and Stormwater Regulations will meet on **December 12**, 2011 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Felton-Farmington Room (DelDOT Administration Building). Note that this is a change from the date originally posted in the October 2011 Listserve.

4. Updates to the Draft Sediment and Stormwater Technical Document

The Technical Document to support the proposed revisions to the Delaware Sediment and Stormwater Regulations is posted on our website. To access the draft Technical Document, please <u>click here</u>. Recent additions and revisions to the Technical Document have been noted as "NEW!". More revisions and additions, including the BMP Standards and Specifications, will be added to the website over the next month so listserve members are advised to check each week for the latest updates.

5. 2012 CCR Course Dates

The 2012 Certified Construction Reviewer (CCR) Course will be held in March 2012. The CCR course is offered once a year and the Certification is valid for five years. The 3 ½ day class will be offered on **March 7**, **14**, **21**, (**mandatory** ½ **day field trip**) **and 28**, **2012**. The course fee includes continental breakfast, lunch and course materials. The participants must attend all 3 ½ days in order to obtain certification, in addition to passing a written exam. Additional information regarding registration and fees will be provided in this listserve as the date draws nearer.

6. Link of the Month: ACME Parking Lot Retrofit by Delaware Center for Horticulture

The Delaware Center for Horticulture (DCH) was recently involved in a "green technology" stormwater retrofit of the Trolley Square ACME parking lot in Wilmington, DE. Some of the practices installed included a "tree trench" and a bioretention area. The DCH has posted a multimedia slideshow of the project at the following link:

http://www.thedch.org/resources-multimedia/photo-gallery/photo-album/72157626954183071

The main DCH Website contains information on native plants and urban forests as well as a "Useful Links" page. The DCH also maintains a garden that is open to the public for free on the grounds of its facility located at 1810 North Dupont Street, Wilmington, DE so that visitors can see many of the plants recommended for urban settings. DCH staff are currently assisting the DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Program with peer review of some of the new Standards & Specifications for Post Construction Stormwater BMPs. The DCH Website can be reached at the following link:

http://www.thedch.org/